Love The Victor.

Once, far back in the buried years, When life was young and gay. There came a maid with sunny hair And eyes like sapphires, bright and Pare.

And manners blithe and dubonnaire. Who stole my heart away.

Those happy times with hurrying feet Went flying all too fast As o'er the meadows sweet with hay

We often took our wistful way And swore to love, come what, come may.

In vows that did not last.

We will not blame each other, dear-Nay, nay, we both were wrong-And now we both are old and free, Love once more finds us out, you see And warms our heart with melody. And sings his old sweet song.

So, now we two are one again. We'll thank our happy lot. And let the gloom of weary years, With all their sorrows and their

Their earking cares and binding tears Forever be forgot.

and Express.

The Story Ruth Told.

We are sitting on the piazza in the pleasant time "between the lights," talking about the Tissot paintings.

"They are interesting, certainly," said Esther, "from their faithful study of local conditions; but, personally, I shrink from any portrature of the Master."

"Yes," said Theresa, "I some times wish that even Raphael had restrained his brush to at tempt to depict that face!"

"O Triss," said Karl, "you would not deprive the world of the Sistine Madonna!"

"and yet, when you think of it little to look back, and saw the a face is thrust upon your imag- lad I have mentioned dive sudination and memory that has denly across the aisle into the really no right to be there. It opposite seat, emerge with that is not the face of the Christ-little castaway bag, and hasten child, and you know it isn't and clumsily after Mrs. Courtney. yet forgits dignity and beauty He touched her arm and said, enshrined it. All flushing crimson: the race paintings of the man Christ Jesus positively afflict me. I catch a glimpse of him in the every day saints and I know and love.'

"I had just a glimpse to day' said Cousin Ruth, who had arrived by an early afternoon train from town. "I was never more impressed by a slight action. I was almost the first ferred a great favor upon her. train. Shortly after I had tak- took it. en my seat, a lady entered and sat down directly in front of of us here."

"Tall?" inquired Esther, all aware of his mistake " drawing ber chair a little closer to Ruth.

"Yes, quite so."

-Dark eyes and a little scar on one cheek?" asked Theresa. Yes," said Ruth.

sitting up straight in the ham be had been able to be of real mock, "it's Mrs. Leonard Lev- service, as he supposed, to a erett Courtney herself, a per fellow traveller. Theresa, her church."

"Please go on. Ruth," said I. derful personage had a small line the image of the Saviour," correct style. This he had acpaper bag in her hand."

"Never!" came in a duet from hammock and steamer-chair.

"A fact nevertheless," said Ruth. "Just as this lady was group, and in the stillness, day. His time was employed seated, another lady, evidently broken only by the slight sound in action chiefly, reading little, an acquaintance of the first, of the swaying hammock, Ruth and that Donly on agricultural came along the passage, .nd, began to sing, softly: expressing surprise at meeting! her, took the vacant place at know, her side. They spoke quietly.

but were so near to me that I show." could not avoid hearing the conversation.

"You will pardon me, said the first-your Mrs. Leonard Christian Advocate. Courtney, Triss-if I eat a bis cuit.' "

Here Esther fairly gasped, and Theresa fell back upon her Then," condenim cushions. tinued Ruth, "Mrs. Courtney went on to explain that she had gone to town early that morn ing and had been rushed with business up to within fifteen minutes of train-time, and had not a minute for luncheon. She said that, if she did not take a little food then, she would be obliged to spend the atternoon in nursing a bad headache. Her friend smilingly refused to help herself from the proffered bag. and said, 'How delightfully democratic!" They chatted Gerald Hayward, in New York Mail | pleasantly together of the com parative merits of different steamship lines. In the meantime, 'the princess' daintily nibbled a biscuit or two, and, hav ing neatly closed the paper bag deposited it on the floor.

"Just as the train was pull ing out of the station, a tall, awkward, shambling country lad entered our car and stumbled into a seat opposite the two ladies. He had a kindly face, but seemed very ill at ease in a new suit of coarse clothes a size too large for him. When this station was called off no one in the car arose to leave except Mrs. Courtney, her friend, and myself. I had started first and so was ahead, and just as "No," said Theresa, musingly I reached the door I turned a

" 'Hain't yer left suthin'?'

"Many women would have simply disclaimed the previously rejected parcel. Mrs. Court hey looked, took the bag from his great brown hand, and said kindly:

" 'Thank you, sir. very much.

"She spoke as if he had conperson on board of the noon Her friend asked her why she

" I would not wish to embar gant tailormade, silk-lined peo- steps. "It would have been anple who live on the Ridge back noying to him to turn back before that whole carful of people

"What impressed me yet more was the fact that, as she stood on the platform waiting for her held the parcel, and did not ed by. I thought of the happi-"O girls," exclaimed Thersa, ness in the heart of the lad that of heaven."

"I'd like my life to be a bit of ed. Yet he wrote readily, rath-"Well," said Ruth, "this won. canvas on which God can out. er diffusety, in an easy and said Esther, quietly.

> "Such a work is immortal," replied Theresa.

Silence fell on our little added surveying, at a later

"More about Jesus would I respondence became necessarily

More of His grace to others his agricultural proceedings

Esther's tender alto joined in the heartfelt hymn, and to each one of us it was a prayer .-

Character of Washington. By Thomas Jefferson.

I think I know General Wash ington intimately and thorough ly; and were I called on to delineate his character it should be in terms like these:-

His mind was great and powerful, without being of the very first order; his penetration strong, though not so acute as that of a Newton. Bacon or Locke, and as far as he saw, no ducting its councils through the judgment was ever sounder. It was slow in operation, being little aided by invention or im agination, but sure in conclu sion Hence the common re mark of his officers, of the advantage he derived from councils of war, where, hearing all suggestions, he selected the best; and certainly no general ever planned his battles more judiciously. But if deranged during the course of action, if in disguise. any member of his plan was dislocated by sudden circumstance, he was slow in readjustment. The consequence was, that he often failed in the field, and rarely against an ememy in station, as at Boston and York. He was incapable of fear, meeting personal dangers with the calmest unconcern. Perhaps the strongest feature in his character was prudence never acting until circumstance, every consideration was maturely weighed; refraining, if he saw a doubt; but, when once decided, going through with his purpose whatever obstacles opposed. His integrity was most pure. his justice the most inflexible I have ever known; no motives of interest or consanguinity of friendship or hatred being able to bias his decisions. He was, indeed, in every sense of the word, a wise, a good and a great man. His temper was naturally initable and high toned; but reflection and resolution had obtained a firm and habitual ascendency over it. If ever however, it broke its bonds, he was most tremendous in his wrath. In his expenses he was honorable, but exact; liberal in his contributions to whatever promised utility; but frowning and unyielding on all visionary rass that poor boy,' I overheard projects and all unworthy calls me. She was one of those ele her say as she went down the on his charity. His heart was not warm in its affections, but he exactly calculated every man's value and gave him a solid esteem proportioned to it. His person, you know, was tue; his stature exactly what one would wish; his deportment carriage to drive up, she still easy, erect and noble; the best horseman of his age, and the drop it until the train had mov. most graceful figure that could be run on horse back. Although in the circles of his friends, where he might be unreserved with safty, he took a free share in conversation, his colloguial feet princess! And to think had a glimpse of the Christ- of talents were not above mediocri Ruth, that you sat right by her. his delicate consideration, his ty, possessing neither copious-Why, she's worth millions they insight and sympathy. Mrs. ness of ideas nor fluency of say, but not at all worldly, and Courtney is the sort of 'princess' words. In public when called very charitable and devoted to that takes rank in the kingdom on for a sudden opinion, he was unready, short and embarrast-

quired by conversation with the

world, for his education was

merely reading, writing and

common arithmetic to which he

and English history. His cor-

extensive and with journalizing

occupied most of his leisure DR. W. B. A. McNUTT hours within doors. On the whole his character was in its mass perfect; in nothing bad, in few points indifferent; and it GEO. L. TURNER, may truly be said, that never did nature and fortune combine more perfectly to make a man great, and to place him in the same constellation with what ever worthies nave merited from man an everlasting remem brance. For his was the singula, destiny and merit of leading the armies of his country successfully through an arduous war, for the establishment of its independence; of conbirth of a government, new in its forms and principles, until | it had settled down with a quiet and orderly train; and if scrupulously obeying the laws through the whole of his career." civil and military, of which the history of the world furnishes no example.

Social Philosophy.

Adversity is often a blessing

If men were like clocks they could all go on tick.

The more checks a spendthrift has the faster he goes.

Before marriage men and women argue; after that they dispute.

Sometimes people stop at a hotel in order to escape home comforts.

Some society snobs doubtless pity Adam because he had no

for a thing until time has rendered it useless. A woman says there is no

The antiquarian has no use

pleasure in suffering if it must be done in silence. A man must have a conscience

in order to detect the wrongs of his neighbor.

Opportunities are often captured by hustlers while lazy men are sitting on the fence waiting for them to come along.

Trying to conduct a large business without capital is a good dear like trying to sharpen a lead pencil with a pair of scissors.-Chicago News.

Good for the French. It has been decided that thirty cases of loot which were sent from China by Gen. Frey, will be taken from Marseilles to Toulon and shipped back to China.

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Peace and Liberty

Representative Brown (Rep. of Ohio) scored his on party, on the floors of Congress Saturday. In part he said, "It is the purpose of the U.S. in retaining possession of the Phippine Islands to aid their inhabitants when they submit to the authority of the U.S., in establishing a capable and stable free government, and when this purpose shall be fully accomplished, the United States, under such reservation and conditions as may be wise and just. will resinquish sovereignty in those island." He characterized the idea of breaking the pledge given to Cuba as the 'climax of greed and as a doctrin of freebooters and pirates."

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